

# **Southeast Signal**

News, Events, and Information from Around the System

## From the Director



In the past few years, it seems that libraries are using Facebook for all sorts of things like marketing, internal communications, and even providing services like recorded storytimes. It seems

that librarians have been spending a lot of brain power on how to use this new tool and I can't say that's a bad thing.

One thing to keep in mind with all of this though — Facebook is a company, not a utility. It can and does change how it works, how the feeds show information, who can advertise on its service and who it can sell its data too. Just recently I read articles from pundits saying that Facebook will soon be pivoting to be a more closed system, focused on more person to person communications instead of being a wide open feed. For those libraries that spread their news through Facebook — this could really change the effectiveness of that process.

Now I'm not saying that everybody and every library should now quit using Facebook, or any other social networking system, because of what might potentially happen in the future. I am saying that effort needs to be balanced and adapted as necessary. As an example, for a while everyone seemed to use Facebook to reach the teens, now teens have all

moved to other services so Facebook is used to reach the parents in many cases.

Just like any technology – use it, but be ready to pivot when the company changes its mind. Actually make that any company. I've had a few pieces of software that I used for years that I had to quit using because the company changed its target and either removed the features I loved, or made it cost prohibitive to remain. This goes for apps on your phone, web-based services, even your library catalog software. Use what works for you now, but have an "exit strategy" in mind for when it is no longer serving your needs.

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# Calendar

April 16, National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day

**April 18, National High Five Day** 

April 23, National Talk Like Shakespeare Day

April 25, CASTL, Hebron Secrest Library, "Using Free Digital Resources"

April 26, Arbor Day, SELS Office Closed

April 27, National Tell a Story Day

April 30, Children's Day/Book Day

May 1-7, Choose Privacy Week

May 1, Mother Goose Day

May 3, Space Day

May 4, Star Wars Day

May 5-11, National Pet Week

May 10, SELS Training Extravaganza, Seward Memorial Library

May 24, Golden Sower Reading Day

June 7, School Librarians in the Digital Age

# **Photo of the Month**



The Shelby Community Library trustees and library director visited with Senator Mark Kolterman for Library Advocacy Day March 12, 2019. Picture taken by the Senator's secretary.

# CASTL Wrap-Up

#### Upcoming CASTL Meetings

April 25 Hebron Secrest Library "Using Free Digital Resources"

May 16
Tecumseh Public
Library
"Stress Management"

June 28 Ashland Public Library "Trauma and Available Resources"

July 26
Superior Public Library
"Dealing with Bugs"

August 23
Dvoracek Memorial
Library, Wilber
"Free Programs: Game
and Parks and more"

The March 21 CASTL was hosted by Pawnee City Public Library Director Lola Seitz and Board President Linda Bowman. It dealt with the topic of "Nebraska State Library Statutes."

Some time was spent covering the Open Meetings Act. Library boards are subject to the act, not foundations and friends groups (unless the library board's officers are members of the foundation or friends). Votes must be taken via roll call. Closed (non -public) sessions are only allowed for specific purposes, such as to protect the reputation of a private individual (not a library board member) or if it is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest. The law gives several examples. No decisions may be made in a closed session; a decision must be made via a public vote.

Agendas must be posted within a reasonable amount of time (in many places this is 10 days) and minutes must be available by request within 10 days.

In most cases the village or city determines how much the library board will receive and the board figures out how the money will be spent. Note that if a board is advisory, which is the case for some first class cities over 5,000 people, that board will not have this or any other power not expressly given to it by city ordinance.

State statute says that every library board must have at least 5 members and the library board must elect a president and a secretary; other officers are optional. How members are selected is not, but they should be approved or appointed by the mayor or city council/village board.

The library board also has the power to make bylaws for its own governance and to establish rules and regulations (policies) for the library.

The library board has the power to erect a library, hire and fire library staff, and set their compensation. Changes to personnel policy or new personnel policy must be approved by the village or city before implementation.

# **Upcoming Basic Skills Courses**

To see the list of upcoming classes, click here. Here's what's coming up next:

Dates of Class	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Registration</u>
May 13—May 24	Intellectual Freedom/Core Values	April 15—May 3
June 10—June 21	Library Finance	May 13—May 31
July 8—July 19	Reference	June 10—June 28

#### Esther Beile Receives Outstanding Library Volunteer Recognition

Story and photo by Joy Stevenson

Esther Beile was recently honored as an outstanding library volunteer by the Nebraska Library Association. Esther has been a volunteer for over 22 years coming to the library on a weekly basis to help shelve books. In addition, Esther is a long-time member of the Friends of the Crete Public Library.

Esther was honored on 12 March 2019 at the Nebraska Library Association Advocacy Day lunch at the Marriott Cornhusker in Lincoln. Senator Tom Brandt presented Esther with her award.



#### **Quickbooks Training in Stromsburg**

By Monica Tidyman, photo by Emily Tandy

Stromsburg Public Library and the Stromsburg Chamber of Commerce partnered with the Rural Enterprise Assistance Program (REAP) to bring Quickbooks training to Stromsburg on March 12. We had a packed house of 18 participants that learned how to set up a chart of accounts, how to make sure accounts are connected correctly, entering transactions, reconciliations, and simple reports. Questions were taken from the group also.



The Rural Enterprise Assistance Project is committed to strengthening rural communities through small, self-employed business development. They offer four essential services: financing (micro loans), business training, technical assistance, and networking. This program was brought to my attention by a board member who is a bank loan officer and also the Chamber of Commerce president. We thought it was something the Chamber and the Library could work together on to bring information to the community.

The classes are free and presented by trainers from REAP. To learn more contact Craig Eberle at craige@cfra.org or visit <a href="https://www.cfra.org/reap.">https://www.cfra.org/reap.</a> We are scheduled to bring two more classes provided by REAP trainers in April and May.

#### Library Innovation Studio Open House at Central City Public Library

By Sara Lee, photos by aide (Jacy) to Congressman Adrian Smith and Jamie Wright

Over seventy people were in attendance at last Tuesday's Library Innovation (Makerspace) Open House at Central City Public Library. The event showcased the equipment currently available for the public to use (through June 24 of this year). The Makerspace includes a vinyl cutter, 3D printer, CNC router, heat press, embroidery/sewing machine, laser cutter, music/audio recording kit, Lego Mindstorm, Ardunio, Sparkfun, a button maker, and more. Attendees enjoyed watching live demonstrations of the equipment, while getting an overview of how everything works.

The library is offering weekly classes and one-on-one sessions (by appointment) for people to come in and get trained on the equipment. Once trained, the equipment is available for use, by reservation.







#### Fresh look at Hebron Secrest Library

Provided by Judy Kassenbaum

The new bulletin board at Hebron Secrest library with spring library themes.



### Crete Library Update

Story and photo by Joy Stevenson

In spite of the winter weather, the new library building is still on schedule. The Crete Carrier Community Room's wall are complete. The next step will be the construction of the roof.

On the library side, the steel roof beams are currently being placed. Next, the exterior walls will be erected and roof completed. For the interior, the furniture and fabrics have been selected and we should go out to bid in April.

To see up-to-date information, go to: www.crete.ne.gov/library and click on "New Building Up-dates". In addition, in the library we have placed on the walls in the "teen area" a progression of panorama photos and images of some of the furniture that has been selected.



#### Poker in the Library?

By Charlotte Baldinger

Seward Memorial Library decided to try a game of Poker as part of their National Library Week celebration. Patrons have been signing up all week and drawing their first card at the library. Drawn cards are stamped on a tally sheet. Patrons participating in the "Poker Walk" must visit at least 5 locations out of the 23 businesses that have joined the game. When the players are done they create their best hand from the cards which have been dealt on the



walk. Players must turn in their "hands" by noon on Monday, April 15. Everyone who plays in the game is invited to a free pizza party in the evening where the winning hand will be announced. Cash prizes for the highest hand will be given out after the meal. The staff thinks this new event is a win-win time for everyone ... exercise, visiting local merchants, pizza, and a chance to add money to their wallets. The library appreciates the support of the Friends of Seward Library as well as the community in making this activity possible.

#### Wymore Public Library celebrates 100th year!

By Janet Roberts

Wymore Library is celebrating their 100th year in 2019. We will have a birthday bash on Wednesday, May 15th, 1130am-7pm. Activities will be held throughout the day and evening. Join us if you can!

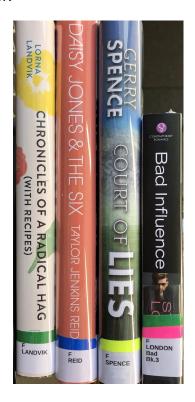
Contact Janet Roberts if you would like more information.



#### Making it Easier to Find an Interesting Book

Provided by Joy Stevenson

Often, a book can not be relegated to just one genre, but to two, three, or even four. To help patrons find the books they want, Crete is working on a system that represents the genres by color.



Looking for a genre, but not a specific title?			
Color coding on the spine can help with that!			
This is still a work in progress, so			
Contemporary			
Cozy Mystery			
Historical			
Horror			
Inspirational			
Romance			
Sci Fi/Fantasy			
Suspense			
Western			



# **SELS Training Extravaganza**

#### at Seward Memorial Library

## May 10, 2019 Schedule of Events

	Lower Meeting Room	Upper Meeting Room	Computer Lab
9:30-9:55	Registration and Refreshments*		
9:55-10:00	Welcome, Announcements, and Introductions*		
10:00-10:50	Easier and More Effective Advocacy: Telling Library Stories. With Pat Leach*		
10:50-11:00	Break		
11:00-11:50	Book Clubs in your Community with Lisa Kelly	Running a Successful Job Search with Scott Childers	Overdrive and the New Libby App with Heather St. Clair
Noon	Lunch*		
1:00-1:50	Read, Write, and Grow! with Courtney Schaardt	Establishing Mutually Beneficial Relations with Law Enforcement with Denise Lawer, Jeff Franklin, Becky Baker, Alan Baldwin Moderated by Scott Childers	Password Management Tools: Enhance Your Online Security with these Helpful and Easy Apps! with Amanda Sweet
1:50-2:00	Break		
2:00-2:50	Adult Programming in Small Libraries with Todd Schlechte	Playing by the Rules: What You Need to Know About State Statutes with Christa Porter	Creating Marketing Materials with Tessa Terry
2:50-3:00	Please fill out evaluations!		

<sup>\*</sup>Lower Meeting Room

### **Only \$25**

Includes a meal of pulled pork sliders, apple slaw, baked beans, and a cookie. Morning and afternoon refreshments are also included.

Register at <a href="http://bit.ly/Extrav2019">http://bit.ly/Extrav2019</a>

#### **Training Extravaganza Session Descriptions**

We are excited to announce that Pat Leach will be our keynote speaker and her topic will be Easier and More Effective Advocacy: Telling Library Stories. Pat will guide you through crafting a library story (or two or three) that you can tell in a variety of situations for maximum impact. While we'll rely on great information from the American Library Association, we'll keep the focus on how you tell the story where you live and work.

The other sessions are as follows:

#### 11:00 - 11:50

#### **Book Clubs in your Community with Lisa Kelly**

Book Groups continue to grow in popularity for all ages. Have you been thinking about starting a book club? A youth book club? Would you like to know where to borrow multiple copies of books? Need tips on how to select titles for your group? Would you like help on how to facilitate discussions with your groups? Join us and we will decipher making book clubs a breeze and a valued program in your community.

#### **Running a Successful Job Search with Scott Childers**

The hiring process can be challenging process for many, but keeping some things in mind can help you get a great hire for your library. From writing the advertisement to running the last interview, you can do small things to improve your chances in a big way to get a great addition to your staff. This session will be useful to library directors and library board members alike.

#### Overdrive and the New Libby App with Heather St. Clair

With Overdrive's release of Libby many are wondering what is Libby and should I care? This session will answer questions about the Libby App, how it relates to the Overdrive App, and give you the information to help your patrons decide if they want to use the Libby App.

#### 1:00 - 1:50

#### Read, Write, and Grow! with Courtney Schaardt

Explore literature and activities that showcase Nebraska's number one industry through this interactive workshop! Agriculture provides a rich context for learning about Nebraska's past and present, the environment, food production, nutrition, and economics. Engage in a hands-on approach to embed relevant and authentic agriculture by learning to use Nebraska Agriculture in the Classroom's newest resource, Literature Guides. Each guide introduces a beautiful, imaginative, lively text or picture book and is accompanied by engaging STEM, social studies, and language arts lessons and activities.

#### 1:00 - 1:50 (cont.)

# Establishing Mutually Beneficial Relations with Law Enforcement with Denise Lawver, Jeff Franklin, Becky Baker, and Alan Baldwin. Moderated by Scott Childers.

These are some of the questions panelists will seek to answer: What does a great relationship between a library and law enforcement look like from your perspective? How did your relationship arise? Recommendations to others in establishing a good relationship?

# Password Management Tools: Enhance Your Online Security with these Helpful and Easy Apps! With Amanda Sweet.

Password Management Tools can help you keep your passwords straight, develop strong passwords, and make it infinitely more difficult for hackers to get ahold of your sensitive information. This session will give you an information overview about how password managers work, then you'll get a handson demonstration of the manager so you can start using it for yourself. You'll also get an information packet to hand out to library patrons who might want to start using it at home.

#### 2:00 - 2:50

#### **Adult Programming in Small Libraries with Todd Schlechte**

Do you ever feel like you can't take on adult programming as a small library? Take some time to examine key concepts in small library programming. Get some actionable ideas as well!

# Playing by the Rules: What You Need to Know About State Statutes with Christa Porter

Are you familiar with Nebraska's public library-related State Statutes? This session that will help demystify these laws and regulations. Come with your questions!

#### **Creating Marketing Materials with Tessa Terry**

There are plenty of free and easy-to-use tools out there that can make you look like a pro. This session will cover multiple design and marketing tools that your library can use for free so you can create visuals and images that'll make your marketing pop.



# **GOLDEN SOWER READING DAY**

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 9-NOON

#### SEWARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

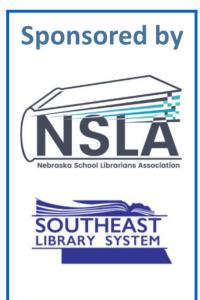
233 SOUTH 5TH STREET, SEWARD, NE

COME AND JOIN US! GET ACQUAINTED WITH 2020-2021 POTENTIAL PICTURE BOOK NOMINEES. WE WILL HAVE ALL OF THEM AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO READ!

Register at http://bit.ly/2019GSower



# School Librarians In the Digital Age





9 am Gavin Flint Virtual Reality in the School Library

10 am Crystal Hurt
OER for School Librarians

11 am Kristen Evans

There's a Choice Board for that....well maybe not, but I can make one!

June 7 8:45 am – 12 pm

Room 101

Don Clifton Professional Learning Center
710 Hill Street, Lincoln, NE

Register at <a href="http://bit.ly/2019SchoolLib">http://bit.ly/2019SchoolLib</a>



Thursday, May 2, 2019 James Arthur Vineyard 2001 West Raymond Road Raymond, Nebraska

Special 2019 pricing!

Free for current SELS Friend members (*Must join before 3/1/19*) \$20 for non-members (*Pay at the door*)

As you may, the SELS Friends group will officially dissolve on June 30, 2019. But before we go, we want to thank YOU for supporting our efforts since 2006.

We are returning to where it all started so many years ago – James Arthur Vineyards!

If you are a CURRENT SELS FRIENDS member (see www.selsfriends.org to check), this year's Aged to Perfection is on us! You get to attend for free! Guests who are not SELS FRIENDS members must pay \$20 (at the door) – still a bargain! Please register by emailing your intent to *info@selsfriends.org* before April 27! All those attending without registering will be charged \$20 at the door with no meal.

If you have questions or to register, please email us at info@selsfriends.org – let's make our last hurrah a great one!

#### The Evening Schedule

5:00 – 5:30	Social Time & Antique check-in
5:30 – 6:00	Dinner (Menu will be determined but will be great!)
6:00 – 8:00	Informational/Appraisal Program by Tom Bassett ( <b>All attendees</b> may bring up to 3 antiques to be appraised.)

# CARING Family Caregiver Support NETWORK CAREGIVE SUPPORT CAREGIVE NETWORK

WHEN
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019 FROM
9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM
REGISTRATION BEGINS 8:30 AM
WHERE
Mead Ne Fire Hall
220 4th Street, 68041

A FREE event filled with professional and educational information for those caring for loved ones regardless of age.

Hosted by Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network, Nebraska Caregiver's Coalition,

A FREE lunch from G and L Cafe
Call and reserve your spot today!
Register by calling 402-300-8448 or
402-802-2309 or marv.shada@unmc.edu

A FAMILY
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VETERANS
MEDICATIONS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER CHAROLTTE LIGGETT: JOY OF CAREGIVING

COME AND VISIT AMONG PEERS

SHARE YOUR STORY FREE CAREGIVER ORGANIZERS



# Library and Information Services Online Course Offerings

http://www.cccneb.edu/library/

#### Enrollment for Summer and Fall opens April 8, 2019

Summer 2019: May 20, 2019 – July 25, 2019 Fall 2019: August 19, 2019 – December 13, 2019

#### Summer 2019

#### LIBR 2100 Reference Resources and Services

Marty Magee, Instructor

- Effective use of print and digital resources, databases, and websites
- Professional competencies including legal and ethical responsibilities
- Reference Interview process

#### Fall 2019

#### LIBR 1010 Foundations of Library and Information Services

Marty Magee, Instructor

This course, the recommended first in the Library and Information Services curriculum, provides introductory information in multiple areas.

- Library history and organizations
- Foundation Principles/Code of Ethics
- Information databases and Internet usage

#### LIBR 2250 Leadership and Management in Library and Information Agencies

Michael Straatmann, Instructor

This course includes the theories, concepts and activities integral to leading and managing 21st Century libraries and information agencies.

- Leadership principles
- Management strategies
- Policies and procedures

#### LIBR 2940 Library and Information Services Capstone Practicum

Patty Birch, Instructor

This capstone course is the last course in the Library and Information Services program. Students will complete 40 hours of service learning in a host library. The course also includes a review of the principle pieces of learning from the LIS program.

Prerequisites: LIBR 1010, 2100, 2150, 2210, & 2250

Library and Information Services Online Course Offerings				
Summer 2019	Fall 2019	Spring 2020		
LIBR 2100 Reference Resources and Services	LIBR 1010 Foundations of Library and Information Services	LIBR 2150 Managing Collections in Libraries and Information Agencies		
	LIBR 2250 Leadership and Management in Library and Information Agencies	LIBR 2210 Cataloging and Classification		
	LIBR 2940 Library Science Capstone Practicum			

For information concerning Admissions or Registration, contact: Dee Johnson djohnson@cccneb.edu, 402-562-1418 or Toll Free at 877-222-0780

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# University of Missouri-Columbia School of Information Science and Learning Technologies (SISLT) Virtual Open House

Saturday April 20, 2019 3-4:30pm

Zoom (https://mizzou.zoom.us/j/481388929)

Join us for an open house and learn about the opportunity to earn your MLS from Missouri!

- In-state tuition
- · Rolling admissions
- · Most classes online, fits your schedule
- · Graduate assistantships, fellowships and awards

Laura England-Biggs Program Liaison, SISLT

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# **System Spotlight**

# Need Help With Accreditation?

Some of our libraries are launching into the task of accreditation. And sometimes the accreditation process can be daunting. But you don't have to figure it all out alone! SELS is more than happy to help you along in this process! Call or email the SELS office to arrange a time to speak with Scott, our exec-



utive director: scott.childers.sels@gmail.com.

#### **Southeast Library System**

http://libraries.ne.gov/SELS/

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